

**ORANGE COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
LAMOREAUX JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER
COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – 2nd FLOOR
341 The City Drive, Orange, CA 92868
Wednesday, September 7, 2016
9:00 a.m.
AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND COMMENTS**
 - **JUVENILE COURT**
 - **DISTRICT ATTORNEY**
 - **PUBLIC DEFENDER (DELINQUENCY UNIT)**
 - **PUBLIC DEFENDER (DEPENDENCY UNIT)**
 - **COUNTY COUNSEL**
 - **PROBATION DEPARTMENT**
 - **SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY**
 - **HEALTH CARE AGENCY, CHILDREN & YOUTH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**
 - **HEALTH CARE AGENCY, JUVENILE HEALTH SERVICES**
 - **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, INSTITUTIONAL SCHOOLS**
 - **STATE OF CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING**
 - **CHIEFS OF POLICE DEPARTMENTS**
 - **SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**
 - **REGIONAL CENTER OF ORANGE COUNTY**
 - **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 5. REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE**
- 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 7. OLD BUSINESS**
- 8. NEW BUSINESS**
- 9. LIAISON ACTIVITIES**
- 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- 11. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 12. EXECUTIVE SESSION**
- 13. ADJOURNMENT**

**MINUTES OF ORANGE COUNTY
JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
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The regular meeting of the Orange County Juvenile Justice Commission was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Chair de Mayo. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Boortz. The meeting was held at the Betty Lou Lamoreaux Juvenile Justice Center, 341 The City Drive, Orange, California, in the second floor Commission Conference Room.

COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT: Patricia Boortz
Amy Crowley
Benjamin de Mayo, Chair
Cheryl Hart, Vice Chair
Susan Leibel
Rick Martinez
Eula Nelson
Kathleen Nordin
Lynda Perring
James Riley
Judy Zorrilla

COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT: Jan Sturla
Carlos Zelaya

STAFF: Beverly MacLaren, Administrative Officer
Hilary Kim, Legal Processing Specialist

GUESTS: Honorable Maria Hernandez, Presiding Judge of Juvenile Court
Kelli Beltran, Unit Manager, Juvenile Court
Jana Hoffmann, Senior Deputy District Attorney
Mike Perez, Assistant Public Defender, Delinquency Unit
Laura Jose, Assistant Public Defender, Dependency Unit
Dana Stits, Supervising Deputy County Counsel
Stephanie Watson, Deputy County Counsel
Steven J. Sentman, Chief Probation Officer
Denise Churchill, Administrative Manager II, Orangewood Children and Family Center, SSA
Mary Garfias, Division Manager, Children & Youth Behavioral Health, HCA
Grace Lizardo, Nursing Supervisor, Juvenile Health Services, HCA
Marie Joie C. Roe, Senior Nurse, Juvenile Health Services, HCA
Rick Martin, Director of Curriculum and Learning, Orange County Department of Education
Dan Llorens, Chief FVPD, Orange County Chiefs and Sheriffs Association
Maggie Corbin, Supervisor, CSP Victim/Witness Assistance Program
Hether Benjamin, Director of Youth Development, Community Service Programs
Regan Phillips, Chief Program Officer, CASA
Bob Theemling, Chief Program Officer, Orangewood Foundation
Bonnie Miller, Assistant Program Manager, New Alternatives, Inc.
J. Michael Hughes, Attorney at Law
Cindy Frisbie Hecklau, Member of the Public

COMMENTS BY JUVENILE COURT

Honorable Maria Hernandez, Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court, expressed concern for the level of funding being allocated for appointed counsel to represent parties in dependency cases. Judge Hernandez is collaborating with many county agencies and law enforcement through the "Be the

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One Campaign” to increase public awareness of human trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC).

Kelli Beltran, Unit Manager, announced Anabel Romero is the new Director of Operations for Juvenile, Family Law, and Self-Help Services beginning on Friday, September 9, 2016. The minute order backlog is holding steady at 350 minute orders, with the bulk of them being within a week of the hearing.

COMMENTS BY PUBLIC DEFENDER

Laura Jose, Assistant Public Defender, reported Dr. Elizabeth Cauffman conducted a training on “Arrested Development: Adolescent Development and Juvenile Justice” on August 24, 2016. The next training will be by Dr. Suzette Glasner-Edwards, Principal Investigator at UCLA Integrated Substance Abuse Programs, on psychological/cognitive therapies and pharmacological intervention for substance abuse treatment.

COMMENTS BY COUNTY COUNSEL

Dana Stits, Supervising Deputy, introduced Deputy County Counsel Stephanie Watson. Mr. Stits will continue to bring a Deputy County Counsel to the meetings to expand their training and appreciation of the work being done by the Juvenile Justice Commission. The next cross-training will take place on October 17, 2016. The guest speaker is Dr. Vandai Le of the Health Care Agency. The topic will be psychotropic medications.

COMMENTS BY PROBATION DEPARTMENT

Steven Sentman, Chief Probation Officer, thanked Judge Hernandez and the Juvenile Justice Commissioners for attending the Padres Unidos graduation. The Juvenile Hall population is 150, which is higher than average. The homeless encampments along the backside of Juvenile Hall and the Youth Guidance Center have moved.

COMMENTS BY SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY

Denise Churchill, Administrative Manager II, thanked the Commissioners for attending the Foster Family Agency and Group Home Forums. The Core Practice Model (CPM) may be completed as soon as Monday, September 12. There will be a presentation of the CPM for child welfare services staff as a resource when assisting youth with their mental health needs. There is an expectation that the 10-day shelters will not commingle newly admitted youth and court returned youth.

The population at the Orangewood Children and Family Center (OCFC) has experienced a 32% increase in the number of admissions and the average length of stay has decreased from 30 to 18 days this past year.

COMMENTS BY HCA, CHILDREN AND YOUTH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Marcy Garfias, Division Manager, reported the Health Care Agency (HCA) is current on the secondary reviews for psychotropic medication requests. The recommendations are being sent to the court on a timely basis.

COMMENTS BY ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Rick Martin, Program Administrator, reported the Department of Education is preparing for the California English Language Development Tests (CELDT). The Grand Jury recently visited the Rio Contiguo School. Many of the ACCESS schools have teams competing against each other in flag football. Students have also been competing on a weekly basis in volleyball and soccer.

COMMENTS BY ORANGE COUNTY CHIEFS AND SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION

Dan Llorens, Chief FVPD, gave an overview of Propositions 36, 47, 57 and AB 109. Chief Llorens has been meeting with law enforcement agencies throughout California to discuss strategies to assist victims of crime.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Victim/Witness Assistance

Maggie Corbin, Supervisor, announced the Victim/Witness Assistance program funding has been approved for additional staff throughout the justice centers.

CSP

Hether Benjamin, Director of Youth Development, thanked the Commissioners for touring the Huntington Beach Youth Shelter.

CASA

Regan Phillips, Chief Program Officer, announced CASA will begin a 30-hour training session for new advocates on September 7, 2016. Currently, there are 288 youth on the waitlist for CASA advocates. Due to a recent Court of Appeals decision, CASA will not be showing the volunteer recruitment video to potential jurors. CASA will be searching for alternative recruitment options.

CASA will be having their second largest fundraiser, a holiday luncheon and fashion show at the Monarch Beach Resort, on December 7, 2016. There will also be a holiday party on December 10, 2016 for the youth at the Mariners Church.

Orangewood Foundation

Bob Theemling, Chief Program Officer, reported the Samuelli Academy has 500 students and 17 are foster youth. Mr. Theemling has invited the JJC to attend the Samuelli Authentic Audience events on September 14 and 15, 2016. The events provide students an opportunity to practice public speaking.

The Lighthouse home for adult victims of human trafficking is almost fully staffed and in the final stages before officially opening. They are hoping to open the home by October 1. The Orangewood Foundation has learned that 70% of foster youth who are admitted to community college need remedial classes. The Orangewood Foundation is going to focus more resources towards retention rates for college. Resources will include counseling for classes and assigning a success coordinator to ensure foster youth are meeting the requirements to graduate high school and be successful in college.

New Alternatives, Inc.

Bonnie Miller, Assistant Program Manager, reported a decrease in Team Decision Making (TDM) meetings. TDMs involve social workers, birth families, resource families, and service providers evaluating placement for youth. The population at New Alternatives is lower at 15 youth currently.

J. Michael Hughes, Attorney at Law, expressed concerns regarding the lack of funding for counsel in dependency cases. Mr. Hughes also emphasized the positive impact Boys Court and Girls Court has on the juvenile court system involved youth.

Cindy Frisbie Hecklau, Member of the Public, introduced herself and commented on the impressive level of commitment and involvement of the teams in the Boys Court and Girls Court.

REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence was reviewed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the meeting held August 17, 2016, as written. **MSC Commissioners Hart/Martinez to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2016 meeting, as written.**

OLD BUSINESS

The Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC) reviewed the response to the Corrective Action Notification (CAN) letter sent to Juvenile Hall. An inspection of Unit C and a tour of the Otto A. Fischer School will be completed soon.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioners Crowley, Hart, and the Administrative Officer inspected the Orange County Children's Foundation group home on August 17, 2016. **MSC Commissioners Crowley/Hart to send a Corrective Action Notification (CAN) letter to the Orange County Children's Foundation group home.** Inspection team members requested the inspection report be tabled to the next JJC meeting to provide more details of the inspection.

Commissioners Leibel and Nordin inspected the Irvine Police Department on August 17, 2016. The Irvine Police Department held no minors over six hours. There were no issues regarding the handling of juveniles at this facility.

Commissioners Crowley, Hart, Nelson, Nordin, Perring, and Zorrilla toured the Community Service Program (CSP) Huntington Beach Shelter on August 23, 2016. The Commissioners were told very few youth have run away from the shelter in the past several years.

Commissioner Riley reported the results of the inspection of the La Habra Police Department on August 30, 2016. Commissioners Crowley, Nelson, and Perring were also present at the inspection. The La Habra Police Department held one minor over six hours. There were no issues regarding the handling of juveniles at this facility.

Commissioners Crowley, Nelson, Perring, and Riley attended the Fullerton Police Department inspection on August 30, 2016. The Fullerton Police Department held no minors over six hours. There were no issues regarding the handling of juveniles at this facility.

LIAISON ACTIVITIES

Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) Steering Committee

Commissioner Nordin provided an overview of the CSEC Steering Committee meeting held on August 24, 2016. Commissioner Sturla was also present at the meeting. The committee discussed how to increase public awareness for CSEC and human trafficking victims. Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) participates in the "Be the One Campaign" to increase public awareness of human trafficking.

Recruitment, Training, Support (RTS)

Commissioner Crowley provided an overview of the RTS meeting held on August 25, 2016. Commissioner Nelson also attended the meeting. The Social Services Agency has reapplied for funding for recruitment and has prepared a list of eleven items to utilize the funding.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

All committee reports have been tabled to the next JJC meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioners Martinez, Nelson, and Riley are planning to inspect the Buena Park and La Palma Police Departments on September 12, 2016

Commissioner de Mayo plans to attend the Blue Ribbon Commission meeting on September 13, 2016.

Commissioners Crowley, Nelson, and Zorrilla are planning to attend the Eliminating Racial Disparity and Disproportionality (ERDD) meeting on September 14, 2016.

Commissioners de Mayo and Nelson are planning to attend the Samueli Authentic Audience on September 14, 2016.

Commissioner Boortz is planning to attend the Touchstones Open House on September 14, 2016.

Commissioners Leibel and Zorrilla are planning to attend the Trauma Informed Care Steering Committee (TIPS-C) meeting on September 14, 2016.

Commissioners Boortz and Leibel are planning to attend the Samueli Authentic Audience on September 15, 2016.

Commissioner Leibel plans to attend Orange County Children's Partnership (OCCP) meeting on September 15, 2016.

Commissioner Crowley plans to attend the Rhonda Sciortino training on September 15, 2016.

Commissioner de Mayo plans to attend the CHOC Breaking New Ground in Pediatric Mental Health event on September 16, 2016.

Commissioners Leibel and Martinez are planning to inspect the Los Alamitos and Seal Beach Police Department on September 20, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR SESSION

The regular session was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was convened from 10:45 a.m. until 10:56 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

Benjamin de Mayo

Benjamin de Mayo, Chair